

## **WebEOC operational for NCEM daily use as of November 1, 2007**

Having completed Phase 2 modifications for NCEM, WebEOC (NCSPARTA) is operational for daily use by NCEM and local emergency management. Phase 2 modifications included use of the EM-43 Incident Reports via WebEOC. Thanks to stakeholders across the State at all levels of Emergency Management and neighboring State partners, a significant step forward has been taken in the use of our critical information management system – NCSPARTA. To support the ongoing implementation the Division Training and Exercise Branch, in conjunction with the GTM Section, is in the process of establishing a regular training schedule for all users, and has included an updated County User's Manual in the WebEOC File Library. An updated State EM and SERT User's Manual will be forth coming. For more information, contact Carla Woodlief at (919) 715-5711 ext 115, [cwoodlief@ncem.org](mailto:cwoodlief@ncem.org) or Greg Welker at (919) 733-9534, [gwelker@ncem.org](mailto:gwelker@ncem.org).



## **Center for Domestic Preparedness Courses Are Fully Funded.**

The Noble Training Facility located in Anniston, AL is continuing to make its transition to the Center for Domestic Preparedness (CDP). As a result of the transition, the Center for Domestic Preparedness courses are now fully funded. State and Local first responders will no longer be required to fund any food cost for resident training. The CDP had previously picked up the cost for travel and lodging when these programs started in July and now they are fully integrated into the CDP operations.

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For more information: <http://training.fema.gov/EMIWeb/NTC/>

## **NCEM Training and Exercise Schedule Is Still Running Strong.**

Continue to check the NC Emergency Management (NCEM) Training and Exercise calendar for the latest training courses or exercises to be conducted across the state. NC Public Health, NC Office of Emergency Medical Services and NC Division of Child Development are "Partners in Training" with NCEM to offer cross-agency training. There are links to each agency's respective training and exercise schedule. The NCEM calendar also gives links to Federal training opportunities at the Center for Domestic Preparedness in Anniston, AL and the Energetic Material Research & Testing Center located at New Mexico Technical in Socorro, NM. Recent NCEM calendar additions include HSEEP Training courses and Incident Management Team Training courses. There are still open courses in ICS-300, ICS-400, Search and Rescue Fundamentals, and Managing Land Search Operations and many others.

For more information: <http://www.ncem.org/TRAINING/2007CAL.htm>

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## *“One Medicine” Symposium Happening in Durham in December.*

The North Carolina Department of Health and Human Services and the North Carolina Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services will host the fifth annual “One Medicine” Symposium. The symposium will be held December 12 & 13 at the Sheraton Imperial Hotel and Convention Center in Durham, North Carolina. This year’s symposium is titled Globalization and Emerging Risks: A One Medicine Approach to a Changing World. The symposium is to educate and provide take home tools that will improve and enhance preparedness for the next large scale emergency, whether it is a natural or man-made disaster or infectious disease outbreak. A focus will be geared to the effects of globalization on agriculture, public health and animal health. Symposium objectives and topics include: a discussion on the effects of increased trade with foreign markets, Domestic Zoonoses, Globalization: Business Travel; Human Migration and Public Health Risks, International Infrastructure for Animal Health and Human Health. Many more topics will be discussed also.

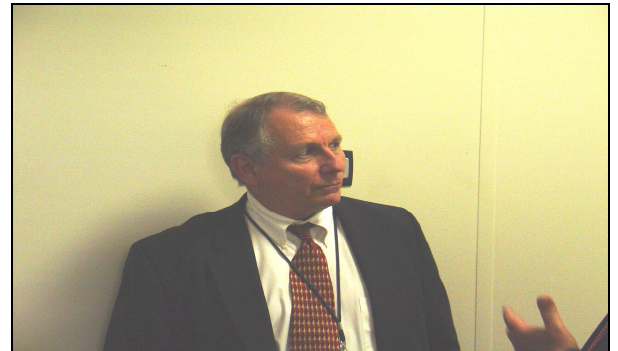
For more information: <http://www.onemedicinenc.org/brochure.pdf>

## *High Ranking Federal Officials Visit State EOC.*

On October 16<sup>th</sup>, United States Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) Commissioner Doctor Gregory B. Jaczko and Federal Emergency Management Agency Region IV Administrator Major Phillip May visited the State Emergency Operations Center to observe procedures in the McGuire Nuclear Power Plant exercise. Commissioner Jaczko, who was sworn in a commissioner on January 21, 2005, has worked to ensure the NRC communicates with the public and its licensees. May is responsible for coordinating preparedness, response, recovery and mitigation efforts in the eight states in the southeast that make up FEMA Region IV.



(LtoR) NCEM Director Hoell, NRC Commissioner Jaczko, NCEM Deputy Director Sprayberry



FEMA Region IV Administrator Major Phillip May

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## **NCEM Brings Home Adjutant General Invitational Match Award.**



NC Emergency Management (NCEM) outshot other agencies to win the 2007 Adjutant General's Invitational Match. The Adjutant General's Invitational Match brings various agencies and organizations together for friendly competition and bragging rights for the best in marksmen shooting drills. NCEM outshot agencies such as Civil Air Patrol, a team from the Air Force, several teams from the NC National Guard, Alcohol Law Enforcement and others to win for the first time since competition began in 1990. The NCEM team consisted of Dianne Curtis, Tom Collins, Paul Latham and Robert Mann. Mann also took home the award of "High Shooter" for having the highest overall shooting score. The competition was held on September 28 at the Butner Training Facility.



## **NC Emergency Management Sponsors A Course Taught By North Carolina Task Force Eight.**

Sixty-four participants from various Urban Search and Rescue Task Force Teams across North Carolina assembled at the Keeter Training Center in Raleigh, NC to participate in a collapse rescue technician course. This course was designed to teach students how to handle every aspect of a structural collapse similar to the most recent structural collapse of the Minnesota Bridge. The course was taught from October 29<sup>th</sup> to November 9<sup>th</sup> by instructors and engineers from North Carolina Task Force Eight. Students spent classroom and actual field time learning various breaching and breaking concrete techniques, shoring interior and exterior structures practices, lifting and moving heavy debris techniques. The student also learned how to use highly technical cameras and listening devices. The actual field training consisted of simulated events that were timed and the participants had to achieve certain objectives. N.C. Emergency Management's State Search and Rescue Coordinator, Todd Brown, was one of the 64 students who completed the course. This collapse rescue technician course incorporates U.S. Department of Homeland Security National Incident Management System fundamentals and practices. For more information, contact Ronny Mizell at (919) 831-6395 or [ronny.mizell@ci.raleigh.nc.us](mailto:ronny.mizell@ci.raleigh.nc.us).



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## *-Special Mentions-*

### *NCEM Western Branch's Sandra Smith Calls It A Day.*

On September 21, 2007, NCEM's Western Branch celebrated Sandra Smith's retirement. Smith was the Western Branch Program Assistant. NCEM wishes her well in retirement and her much anticipated leisure travel.



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